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MEMORANDUM FOR: All Office Directors and NI0s  
FROM : Presidential Briefing Coordinator  
SUBJECT : Presidential Briefing Topics for 27 June and Later

1. The 20 June Presidential Briefing was given by D/NFAC and was devoted to the topic, "Soviet Economy".

2. The following topics are nominated for the 27 June Presidential Briefing:

- A. Pakistan
- B. Covert Communications
- C. Jamaica

3. The following topics are in various stages of preparation for future Presidential Briefings. The responsible officer and tentative briefing dates, if known, are shown:

- A. Monitoring Arms Control Agreements (PBC)
- B. PRC-Vietnam Relations (NI0/EAP)
- C. Korean Military Update (NI0/EAP-OSR)
- D. Role of Evacuation in Soviet Civil Defense (OSR)
- E. Thailand (NI0/EAP)
- F. Bonn Economic Summit (NI0/PE) 11 July
- G. FRG-USSR Relations (NI0/WE) 11 July
- H. Soviet/Cuban Options in Southern Africa (NI0/AF)
- I. US-USSR Technical Collection Comparison (NITC-OWI) 1 August
- J. European Political Community Evolution (NI0/WE)
- K. Soviet Air Defense Systems (OWI)
- L. US-USSR Arms Transfer Comparison (OER) 1 August
- M. Sino-Soviet Relations (NI0/CH-NI0/USSR) 11 July
- N. Chinese Plans to Increase Science and Technology Capability (OSI)
- O. Nuclear Terrorist Threats (NI0/NP) 18 July

4. The following topics have been proposed as possible future topics for Presidential Briefings. These topics have not yet been approved by D/NFAC. After D/NFAC approval of the topic, the responsible officer will be asked to provide an outline for the DCI's approval. Preparation of the draft briefing starts after the outline is approved.

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- B. Submarine Detection and Tracking
- C. Soviet Planning
- D. PRC Foreign Economic Policy

5. Basic preparation work has been completed on the following briefings. They are being held awaiting an appropriate opportunity to use them. Then the responsible officer will be contacted by the PBC for a last-minute review and update of the briefing. Responsible officers are requested to inform the PBC if these topics are to be treated in the PDB, NID or other intelligence publication so that the briefings can be canceled or modified as appropriate.

- A. Law of the Sea (OGCR)
- B. Soviet Forced Labor (OGCR)
- C. [REDACTED]
- D. Soviet Microelectronics: Civilian & Military Use (OSI-OER)
- E. Soviet ECCM (OWI)
- F. Estimating SLBM Effectiveness--A Soviet and US Comparison (OWI)
- G. Caribbean-Mexican Illegal Migration (OER)
- H. Nuclear Power in the LDCs (OER)

6. The following topics have been dropped from the list of active topics for the reasons indicated:

- A. Libya. Covered adequately in the PDB.
- B. Military Lessons for Southern Africa Learned from Performance of Soviet and Cuban Forces in the Angolan & Ethiopian Campaigns. Incorporated in Soviet/Cuban Options in Southern Africa.
- C. Egypt's Water Problems and Use of Computer Simulation Model to Assess Future Alternative Water Management Strategies. Higher priority topics will preclude this being covered.

7. Because a substantial number of topics are in preparation the routine submission of briefing topic nominations have been held in abeyance. The D/ORPA, D/OCR and NI0s NP, NESA and LA will be requested to submit nominations for use in August during the week of 10 July.

8. A tentative schedule for major topic preparation is attached.



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## TENTATIVE MAJOR TOPIC PREPARATION SCHEDULE

<u>Week of</u>	<u>Backup Material to DCI on:</u>	<u>DCI/NFAC Meeting on:</u>	<u>Presidential Briefing on:</u>
26 June	Bonn Economic Summit FRG-USSR	(none)	Pakistan Covert Communications Jamaica
3 July	Nuclear Terrorism	Sino-Soviet Relations	(none)
10 July	Soviet/Cuban Options in Southern Africa	Around-the-table with NIOs	Bonn Economic Summit FRG-USSR Relations Sino-Soviet Relations
17 July	US/USSR Arms Transfer Comparison US-USSR Technical Collection Comparison	Options in Southern Africa	Nuclear Terrorism Soviet Air Defense
24 July	PRC-Vietnam Relations	Arms Transfer	Options in Southern Africa
31 July	?	?	Arms Transfer and Technical Collection Comparisons

Filler material is or will be available on the following topics:

- Soviet Forced Labor
- [redacted]
- Soviet ECCM
- Thailand
- Monitoring Arms Control Agreements

- Soviet Microelectronics
- Nuclear Power in the LDCs
- Estimating SLBM Effectiveness
- US-USSR Technical Collection Comparison
- Caribbean-Mexican Illegal Migration
- Chinese Plans for S&T Capability

Note that this schedule is tentative. It will be revised weekly and major changes may take place from week to week.

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